# THIRD TAXING DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING JUNE 19, 2006

ATTENDANCE: David Brown, Chair; Timothy Plunkett

George Leary, General Manager; Simon Sumberg, District

Counsel

GUESTS: Representative Chris Perone; Maurice Scully CMEEC

Mr. Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no members of the public present this evening.

## MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF APRIL 4, 2006 AND MAY 15, 2006

- \*\* MR. BROWN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF APRIL 4, 2006 AS SUBMITTED
- \*\* MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

The following corrections were made to the minutes of May 15, 2006.

Page 3 – second paragraph, first paragraph should read: Mr. Cansolvas stated that at the July 26, 2005 meeting Mr. Leary had been instructed by the District's former attorney......

Page 7 – first paragraph, first sentence – replace take with took

- \*\* MR. BROWN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF MAY 15, 2006 AS AMENDED
- \*\* MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION

## REP. PERONE, DOT PAVING ASSESSMENT

State Representative Perone spoke to the Commissioners about coming up with a comprehensible paving plan. He said that he would like to talk to the Mayor and Mr. Alvord, Director of the DPW first. He added that it is going to take cooperation between the City and the State to make this happen.

Rep. Perone said that the DOT likes packages that are in components, so that they can implement the projects in phases. He said that he sees the curbing around the cemetery

Third Taxing District June 19, 2006 Page 1 of 5 as the first phase, with the subsequent work being done in concentric circles. Rep. Perone said that Councilman Kydes has a vision of a trolley running in the area.

Mr. Plunkett commented that the sidewalks and curbs should be done before the paving. Rep. Perone will call the Mayor's office within the next few days to set up a meeting to discuss the paving.

## GENERAL M ANAGER'S REPORT AND OPERATING REPORTS

Mr. Leary reviewed his written report. He said that the Utility Specialist position has been filled.

Attorney Sumberg discussed the liens for past due bills. The largest bill is for \$1,700. Mr. Brown asked Attorney Sumberg if a landlord could be held responsible for an unpaid electric bill after their tenant leaves. Attorney Sumberg said that the landlord could be held responsible.

Mr. Leary reported that the new telephone system will be installed next week. The time clock has been installed. He said that the Union wants to start the labor negotiations in September. Mr. Brown suggested that the three Commissioners form the Negotiating Committee.

Mr. Leary reviewed the year to date financial statement. He said that because they pay their bills promptly, they receive a discount from CMEEC.

- \*\* MR. BROWN MOVED TO TAKE THE AGENDA OUT OF ORDER
- \*\* MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

#### **CMEEC POWER SALES CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

Mr. Leary distributed the draft copy of the amendment of the Power Sales contract. Mr. Scully reviewed the amendment. Mr. Plunkett asked if any other districts voted on this. Mr. Scully said that one system has already. The amendment will not go into effect until everyone has signed off on it. It must be a unanimous vote.

Attorney Sumberg said that the underlying assumption is that there is going to be an increase in demand. Mr. Scully pointed out that when you build your own generator, you are not subject to the market.

Mr. Brown said that he would like Attorney Sumberg to review the amendment before they take any action.

# \*\* MR. PLUNKETT MOVED THAT BARRING ADVERSE ADVICE FROM LEGAL COUNCIL THAT THE CHAIRMAN BE AUTHORIZE TO SIGN

Third Taxing District June 19, 2006 Page 2 of 5 AMENDMENT NO.2 TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED POWER SALES CONTRACT BETWEEN CONNECTICUT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC ENERGY COOPERATIVE AND THE THIRD TAXING DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF NORWALK EAST NORWALK ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT

- \*\* MR. BROWN SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

The Commissioners took a recess at 8:47 p.m. The Commissioners resumed the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

# **DELINQUENT ACCOUNT WRITE-OFFS**

- \*\* MR. PLUNKETT MOVED TO APPROVE THE DELINQUENT ACCOUNT WRITE-OFFS AS SUBMITTED
- \*\* MR. BROWN SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

#### **CMEEC POWER BILLING RATE**

Mr. Leary said that he came up with a power billing rate.

- \*\* MR. BROWN MOVED TO SET THE CMEEC BILLING RATE FOR JUNE AT \$152 PER MWH TO BE RETURNED TO \$100 PER MWH IN JULY
- \*\* MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

#### OIL SPILL PLAN

Mr. Leary said that he approached three engineering firms who are qualified to do this type of work.

- \*\* MR. BROWN MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO ENGAGE TIGHE & BOND TO PROVIDE THREE SPCC PLANS AT A TOTAL COST OF \$8.450.00
- \*\* MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

#### FIREHOUSE LEASE UPDATE

Attorney Sumberg recused himself from this discussion.

Mr. Plunkett reported that he has a meeting with Mr. Nolin, the City Attorney who said that he did not notice any problems with the lease. He suggested that the Third Taxing District pay for the electricity.

Mr. Plunkett said that he thought the City was obligated to have a fire house in the District.

Mr. Leary said that they have not been billed for anything. Mr. Plunkett said that they should be billed for the amount in the budget. An explanatory letter should be enclosed with the bill.

Attorney Sumberg rejoined the meeting.

## **MEETING PROCEDURE**

Mr. Leary suggested some changes to the meeting procedure. These changes were discussed and accepted.

- \*\* MR. BROWN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MEETING PROCEDURE POLICY AS SUBMITTED BY THE GENERAL MANAGER
- \*\* MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
- \*\* MR. BROWN MOVED TO TABLE THE REST OF THE AGENDA TO THE NEXT MEETING
- \*\* MR. PLUNKETT SECONDED
- \*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT PAMPHLET

WEBSITE IMPROVEMENTS

UTILITY POLE BANNERS

NEWSLETTER POLICY

OFFICE RENOVATION STUDY

# **ADJOURN**

There was no further business and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Lombardi Telesco Secretarial Services